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**PROVISIONAL ELECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.143 WITH TRAVERSE AND
AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 19, 2003 (Paper No. 3), please consider the following amendments, traversal, provisional election, and remarks. (A response to this Action is being filed on January 20, 2004, as January 19, 2004, is a federal holiday.) *See*, 35 U.S.C. §21. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the following amendments prior to examination of the captioned application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith (a) a Fee Transmittal Sheet with appropriate fee (in dupl.); and (b) an Information Disclosure Statement Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 with Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of references AA-FG.